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There is a line of short trenches with concrete machine gun emplacements running from Vlone to Lushnje for a distance of approximately five to six miles. The trenches begin (south) near the Vlone lagoon west of Mifol and pass through the districts of Radostine and Hoxhare to the Lushnje area. Distances between these positions (trenches?) vary from 200 meters to about one kilometer. Trenches [] were short traversed trenches capable of holding a few men and a machine gun team. In the section between the Vijose and Sejmenas rivers there are communication trenches running near the new irrigation canal which joins the two rivers. These trenches enable troops occupying this position to pass from one trench to another under cover. These machine gun emplacements and trenches are not normally occupied, but they have been used during military exercises in the area. A little inland from the mouth of the Sejmenas river, near an unidentified monastery, there is a military area containing guns, and coastal defense troops.

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1. [] Comment: The Sejmenas river has two mouths, [] the military center was not far from the Hoxhar-Radostine area. No monastery is identifiable on our maps; but, inasmuch as coastal battery positions are located around the southern mouth of the river, we believe that this military center is located near Marinas, where there is a church.

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